

## Provider Communication

<b>Subject:</b> DME: PA Requests for SGD Accessories	<b>Priority:</b> <b>High</b>
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***Dear Provider,***

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2010, the Department began providing coverage for HCPCS code E2599 (Speech Generating Device [SGD]) accessory, not otherwise specified). All requests for SGD accessories require prior approval (PA). PA requests with supporting clinical documentation must be submitted directly to the Georgia Medical Care Foundation (GMCF) for determination of medical necessity. PA requests for SGD consideration must also be accompanied by the manufacturer/provider invoice. No exceptions.

Pursuant to this action, previously denied SGD accessories billed using E2599, for dates of service on and after July 1, 2009, were automatically reconsidered and the reference PA number updated. Where a claim payment posted against the old PA number, the claim must be voided and resubmitted using the updated PA number. To ensure accurate claim payment, the resubmitted claim must include the updated PA number and all previously submitted service codes, including E2599.

Modifier NU should be utilized with ALL SGD accessories, excluding the Eye Max/Eye Tracking System. If a PA is approved for the Eye Max (or equivalent), please bill using modifier U3 when submitting a claim.

For questions, please contact the GHP Provider Inquiry line at 800 766-4456.